

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 13 and 14 are amended.

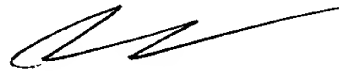
In response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect the Species of the eight embodiment wherein the first and second polarizers have a cooling means, with traverse. At least claims 1, 2, 12, 13 and 14 read on the elected species. At least claims 1, 2, 13 and 14 are generic.

Further, it is submitted that the Election of Species Requirement is improper since the listed species in the Requirement do not encompass all claimed subject matter. For example, the subject matter of claim 8 is not included in any of the listed species.

It is also respectfully submitted that the subject matter of all species is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one species would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining species. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions" (emphasis added). It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicants and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

Thus, withdrawal of the Election of Species Requirement is respectfully requested.

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